


**REMARKS**

The application has been amended to delete the multiple dependencies therein, to provide appropriate headings for the various sections of the specification, and to delete the erroneous improper second paragraph of the abstract. Entry and consideration of this Amendment and an early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**APPENDIX**

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**The specification is changed as follows:**

Page 1, delete the heading "DESCRIPTION" and insert the heading

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Page 2, before the first paragraph insert the heading

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Page 6, before the first full paragraph insert the heading

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Page 7, before the first full paragraph insert the heading

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Delete the heading "CLAIMS" and insert the heading**

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

**The claims are amended as follows:**

30. (Amended) Method according to ~~any of the previous claims~~ 1 wherein said mould and said core are shaped and arranged in order to produce a connector element defining a bicycle bottom bracket with associated tubular extensions for connection to bicycle frame tubes converging towards the bottom bracket.

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31. (Amended) Method according to ~~any of claims 1-29~~, wherein mould and said core are shaped and arranged in order to produce a connector element for connection of bicycle frame tubes at any of the joint locations of a bicycle frame where the frame tubes converge towards each other.

32. (Amended) Connector element for connecting frame parts at a joint location in a bicycle framework, wherein it is obtained with a method according to ~~any previous claims 1~~.

**IN THE ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE:**

**Delete the improper second paragraph of the Abstract containing the parenthetical phrase "(Figure 3)".**